

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI  
EASTERN DIVISION

AXIS SURPLUS INSURANCE	)	
COMPANY,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	Case No. 4:22-CV-328-AGF
	)	
TRISTAR COMPANIES, LLC, et al.,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

**CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER – TRACK 1: EXPEDITED**

Pursuant to the Civil Justice Reform Act Expense and Delay Reduction Plan and the Differentiated Case Management Program of the United States District Court of the Eastern District of Missouri, and the Rule 16 Conference held on **June 16, 2022**.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the following schedule shall apply in this case, and will be modified only upon a showing of exceptional circumstances:

**I. SCHEDULING PLAN**

1. This case has been assigned to Track 1 (Expedited).
2. All motions for joinder of additional parties or amendment of pleadings shall be filed no later than **July 15, 2022**.
3. Disclosure shall proceed in the following manner:
  - (a) The parties shall make all disclosures required by Rule 26(a)(1), Fed.R.Civ.P., no later than **June 30, 2022**.
  - (b) Retained experts are not anticipated by either side. Each party shall disclose any non-retained experts and provide any summaries required by Rule

26(a)(2)(C), Fed.R.Civ.P., no later than **August 15, 2022**, and shall make such witnesses available for depositions, and have depositions completed, no later than **September 30, 2022**.

(c) The presumptive limits of ten (10) depositions per side as set forth in Rule 30(a)(2)(A), Fed.R.Civ.P., and twenty-five (25) interrogatories per party as set forth in Rule 33(a), Fed.R.Civ.P., shall apply.

(d) Requests for physical or mental examinations of parties pursuant to Rule 35, Fed.R.Civ.P., are not anticipated.

(e) The parties shall complete all discovery in this case no later than **September 30, 2022**.

(f) Motions to compel shall be pursued in a diligent and timely manner, but in no event filed more than eleven (11) days following the discovery deadline set out above.

4. This case shall be referred to alternative dispute resolution on **November 14, 2022**, and that reference shall terminate on **January 13, 2023**.

5. Any motions for summary judgment or judgment on the pleadings must be filed no later than **October 31, 2022**. Responses shall be filed no later than **28 days** after the motion is filed (and no later than **November 28, 2022**, and any reply may be filed no later than **14 days** thereafter (and no later than **December 12, 2022**).

6. Any motions under *Daubert* shall be filed no later than **October 31, 2022**.

## **II. ORDER RELATING TO TRIAL**

This action is set for a **NON-JURY** trial on **March 13, 2023**, at **9:00 AM**. This is a **three-week** docket.

**In this case, unless otherwise ordered by the Court, the attorneys shall, not less than twenty (20) days prior to the date set for trial:**

1. **Stipulation**: Meet and jointly prepare and file with the Court a JOINT Stipulation of all uncontested facts, which may be read into evidence subject to any objections of any party set forth in said stipulation.

2. **Witnesses**:

(a) Deliver to opposing counsel, and to the Clerk, a list of all proposed

witnesses, identifying those witnesses who will be called to testify and those who may be called.

(b) Except for good cause shown, no party will be permitted to call any witnesses not listed in compliance with this Order.

3. **Exhibits:**

(a) Mark for identification all exhibits to be offered in evidence at the trial (Plaintiffs to use Arabic numerals and defendants to use letter, e.g., Pltf-1, Deft.-A, or Pltf Jones-1, Deft Smith-A, if there is more than one plaintiff or defendant), and deliver to opposing counsel and to the Clerk a list of such exhibits, identifying those that will be introduced into evidence and those that may be introduced. The list shall clearly indicate for each business record whether the proponent seeks to authenticate the business record by affidavit or declaration pursuant to Fed.R.Evid. 902(11) or 902(12).

(b) Submit said exhibits or true copies thereof, and copies of all affidavits or declarations pursuant to Fed.R.Evid. 902(11) or 902(12), to opposing counsel for examination. Prior to trial, the parties shall stipulate which exhibits may be introduced without objection or preliminary identification and shall file written objections to all other exhibits.

(c) Except for good cause shown, no party will be permitted to offer any exhibits not identified or not submitted by said party for examination by opposing counsel in compliance with this Order. Any objections not made in writing at least ten (10) days prior to trial may be considered waived.

4. **Depositions, Interrogatory Answers, and Request for Admissions:**

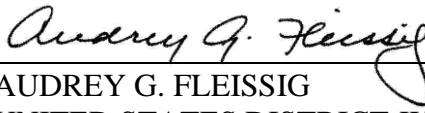
(a) Deliver to opposing counsel and to the Clerk a list of all interrogatory answers or parts thereof and depositions or parts thereof (identified by page and line numbers), and answers to requests for admissions proposed to be offered in evidence. At least ten (10) days before trial, opposing counsel shall state in writing any objections to such testimony and shall identify any additional portions of such depositions not listed by the offering party which opposing counsel proposes to offer.

(b) Except for good cause shown, no party will be permitted to offer any interrogatory answers, or deposition or part thereof, or answer to a request for admissions not listed in compliance with this Order. Any objections not made as above required may be considered waived.

5. **Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Trial Brief:** Submit to the Court and to opposing counsel full, complete, and specific findings of fact and conclusions of law, together with a trial brief, citing authorities, in support of said party's legal theories and discussing any anticipated substantive or procedural problems.

6. **Motions in Limine:** File all motions in limine to exclude evidence at least fourteen (14) days before trial. Responses shall be filed at least seven (7) days before trial.

Failure to comply with any part of this order may result in the imposition of sanctions.

  
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AUDREY G. FLEISSIG  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated this 16th day of June 2022.